The Newsletter for South Carolina Libraries

New South Carolina State Library Website Launched

The South Carolina State Library is pleased to announce the launch of its newly redesigned website statelibrary.sc.gov.

The new site has an easy-to-navigate menu bar and provides keyword searching of its website pages.



The website is designed to reach our core audiences with pages intended to better facilitate access to the information these groups need. Users of the site can sign up for a library card, search library collections, sign up for email alerts or even ask reference questions. The library also offers events such as book talks and signings and specialized library and teacher training which can be found under the events link. The site is optimized for access via personal computer, tablet, and smartphone.

The new website also integrates LibGuides into its overall design. LibGuides is an easy to use content management system (CMS) used by many thousands of libraries worldwide. Librarians use it to curate knowledge and share information by creating online guides on multiple topics or subjects. Recently, Springshare (parent company of LibGuides) featured the South Carolina State Library's implementation of LibGuides version 2. According to Rob Lindsey, State Library User Experience Designer, we "have been very pleased with version 2. Because of LibGuides' flexibility with content types and user access controls and the diverse content needs of our staff at the SC State Library, our content strategy uses LibGuides essentially as a CMS backend for all of the specialized content we produce."

Lindsey has also launched a new website for the library's Talking Book Services (sctalkingbook. org) and is migrating additional State Library-sponsored program websites to this new format.

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State Library Now Offering Free Notary Service

The South Carolina State Library is pleased to announce free notary service.

Library Notaries witness a customer signing a document or signing a sworn statement on a document. The Library provides notary services in accordance with the South Carolina Notary Public Reference Manual.

Library Notaries may decline to

provide notary service in situations that do not comply with the provisions of the manual.

Visit the South Carolina State Library's website and schedule an appointment today!



Events Calendar



Have you visited our calendar of events lately? Be sure to check out the training sessions and classes to learn more!

statelibrary.sc.libcal.com

Grants Research and Proposal Writing Classes - Fall 2014

The South Carolina State Library is pleased to again offer two popular grants research and proposal writing classes:

Grants Research: Finding a Funder for Your Nonprofit Organization

- This class helps individuals working with nonprofit organizations locate information on grants available from private foundations and corporations using the South Carolina State Library's electronic and print resources. Thursday, November 6, 2014, 9:30 a.m. - noon.

Proposal Writing Basics - This class will focus on what needs to be included in all your grant proposals. Wednesday, November 19, 2014, 9:30 a.m. - noon.

Both classes will be held at the South Carolina State Library, 1500



Senate Street, Columbia and are free; however, registration is required. For more information, please contact Dawn Mullin, Information Services Librarian at 803-737-3762 or dmullin@statelibrary.sc.gov.



Young Readers Invited to Write to Favorite Authors

Young readers in grades 4-12 are invited to write a personal letter to an author for the Letters about Literature (LAL) contest, a national reading and writing promotion program. The letter can be to any author (living or dead) from any genre (fiction or nonfiction, contemporary or classic) explaining how that author's work changed the student's view of the world. This reading and writing promotion is sponsored by the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress, in partnership with the South Carolina Center for the Book and the South Carolina State Library with financial support from the South Carolina State Library Foundation.

Letters About Literature

Prizes will be awarded on both the state and national levels. The South Carolina Center for the Book's panel of judges will select the top letter writers in the state, to be honored in an awards ceremony on April 29, 2015. Their winning letters will be published online at the South Carolina Center for the Book's website. South Carolina winners will also receive monetary prizes, and then advance to the national judging.

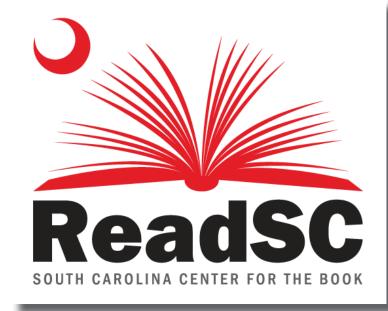
A panel of national judges for the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress will select one national winner per competition level (Level I for grades 4-6, Level II for grades 7-8, and Level III for grades 9-12) to receive a \$1,000 cash award, to be announced May 2015. The judges will also select one national honor winner on each competition level to receive a \$200 cash award. South Carolina winners will receive \$100 for first place, \$50 for second place, and \$25 for third place in each level.

Teachers, librarians, and parents can download free teaching materials on reader response and reflective writing, along with contest details and entry forms.

Last year's South Carolina winners may be found at ReadSC.org.

Submissions from Grades 9-12 must be postmarked by December 15, 2014. Submissions from Grades 4-8 must be postmarked by January 15, 2015.

For more information, please visit read.gov/letters or contact Dr. Curtis R. Rogers at 803-734-8928 or crogers@statelibrary.sc.gov.



Archives and the Natural Environment

By Jessica Dame, Metadata Librarian, South Carolina State Library

The South Carolina Archival Association held their annual meeting October 10, 2014 at Newberry College. This year's theme was Archives and the Natural Environment. Sessions included presentations on herbaria as archives, and examining the impact of natural disasters on repositories. The plenary address was given by Dr. Patrick McMillan, professor at Clemson University and Director of the South Carolina Botanical Garden. Dr. McMillan's talk highlighted Mark Catesby, an explorer and naturalist who arrived in South Carolina in 1722 and spent over two years documenting the wild interior of Carolina. With Catesby's illustrations and text,

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examine South
Carolina's
native
landscape in
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today, teaching
us how our
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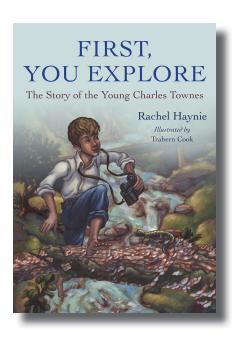
The last session of the day was Herbaria as Archives: Structure, Function, and Transformation of Botanical Research Collection, given by Dr. Charles Horn of Newberry College, Herrick Brown of A.C. Moore Herbarium, and Kate Foster Boyd of University of South Carolina. Dr. Horn discussed the process and importance of herbariums for the science community, from budding botanists to archeologists in the field. Brown and Boyd discussed the Henry William Ravenel project funded by the National Endowment of the Humanities, in which his herbarium and journals are being preserved and digitized.

Speaker @ the Center to Feature Author Rachel Haynie

Join us for a free book signing and author talk on Thursday, November 13 from noon - 1:00 p.m. with Rachel Haynie who will discuss her book, *First, You Explore: The Story of the Young Charles Townes.* Haynie's work is an inspirational biography of the Nobel Prize-winning inventor of the laser and is published by the University of South Carolina Press.

Books will be available for purchase and signing. All Speaker @ the Center programs take place at the South Carolina State Library located at 1500 Senate St., Columbia. Speaker @ the Center is FREE and open to the public. Feel free to bring your lunch.

The South Carolina Center for the Book is the South Carolina Affiliate of the Library of Congress Center for the Book and is a cooperative project of the South Carolina State Library, the University of South Carolina School of Library and Information Science, and The Humanities Council^{SC}.



Free American FactFinder Class to be Offered

The South Carolina State Library is pleased to announce a workshop on getting the most out of the US Census Bureau's American FactFinder website.

American FactFinder provides access to data from several censuses and surveys conducted by the US Bureau of the Census. The American Community Survey (ACS) is an ongoing survey that generates estimates on social, economic, housing, and demographic topics. Data users can access these estimates down to our smallest level of geography, block groups, using the ACS Summary File.

WHEN: Tuesday, October 28, 2014 – 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

WHERE: South Carolina State Library, 1500 Senate Street, Columbia (limited visitor parking available behind the library)

The workshop is free; however, attendees must register. Visit the State
Library's event calendar to register today!

The presenter, Kelly Karres, is a regional Data Analyst with the U.S. Census Bureau and will help guide attendees to statistics on local and block information. Census information is often vital to new business owners, schools, professionals, job seekers, and researchers. It can provide definitive



information for grant seekers, new residents looking for houses, politicians serving their constituents, or librarians helping patrons.

Come to the workshop to learn how to find and use this resource efficiently and effectively!

Learn MORE About the South Carolina State Library - Free Webinars for Fall



Do you want to learn more about the South Carolina State Library? We're now offering free 30 minute LIVE webinars!

Register today at the <u>State Library's</u> online event calendar.

Monday, October 27, 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 18, 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, December 10, 3:30 p.m.

Questions? Contact Dr. Curtis R. Rogers, Communications Director at 803-734-8928 or crogers@statelibrary. sc.gov.

The Spirit of an Activist Book Launch



The South Carolina State Library hosted the official book launch and reception of *The Spirit of an Activist: The Life and Work of I. DeQuincey Newman*, published by the University of South Carolina Press and edited by Dr. Sadye L. M. Logan with foreword by Vernon E. Jordan, Jr. and prologue by James E. Clyburn. The event was held Thursday, September 25. For more photos, please visit the State Library's flickr site at <u>flickr.com/photos/scsl</u>.

2015 Teen Video Challenge Launched

The Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) recently launched the 2015 Teen Video Challenge, a national video competition for teens to get involved with reading and their public library's summer reading program. CSLP is a consortium consisting of public libraries and state library agencies throughout the United States, its territories, and the Cayman Islands. The members of this consortium work together to provide high-quality summer reading materials for public libraries to use in their summer programs with children, teens, and adults.

Teens across the country are invited to create a 30 to 90 second video with their unique interpretation of the 2015 teen slogan *Unmask* in combination

with reading and libraries. The idea is to involve teens in summer reading before and during the summer months, by being part of the process. This is an opportunity for teens to showcase their creativity and have their ideas heard before a national audience.

Each CSLP member state that chooses to participate will organize and implement their own competition to arrive at their state winner. The winning video from each participating state will be named one of the CSLP 2015 Teen Videos to promote summer reading nationwide.

\$150 will be awarded to the creators of the winning state video and their associated public library will receive prizes worth at least \$50 from CSLP and Demco/ Upstart. Winners will be announced by CSLP in April 2015.



For full details about the CSLP 2015 Teen Video Challenge and to find out how to enter your state's competition, please visit the State Library's Teen Video webpage (http://bit.ly/1wJqBQv) or contact Pamela Hoppock, Youth Services Consultant at 803-734-8646 or phoppock@statelibrary.sc.gov.

Rogers Receives National Award



Dr. Curtis R. Rogers, Communications Director of the South Carolina State Library, recently received the 2014 Founders Award at the 4th Annual Library Communications Conference held in Mt. Laurel, New Jersey.

The Library Communications Conference, sponsored by the Library Management Institute, connects

marketing, public relations, special events, fundraising, outreach, and program development professionals from public, academic, and special libraries. The vision of the conference is to create a platform that connects professionals committed to promoting libraries. Presented by Rachel Fox, conference coordinator (pictured with Rogers), the award is for "dedication to furthering the profession of library communications and serving as a major influence in fostering new ideas and innovative discussions among his peers throughout the world."

Rogers also coordinates the South Carolina Center for the Book and has been in the library and information science field for 27 years working at public, academic, and government libraries. Rogers developed and conducted a national survey on how

libraries use social media for public relations and has presented at the American Library Association and German Library Association annual conferences. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in Geography, Master of Library and Information Science, and Doctor of Education from the University of South Carolina as well as a certificate of study from the University of the Azores, Portugal. Rogers was the 2008 president of the South Carolina Library Association and currently serves on the South Carolina Book Festival advisory committee, is secretary of the South Carolina Academy of Authors, and chairs the USC School of Library and Information Science's Annual Literacy Leaders Awards committee.



SC Academy of Authors Announces Annual Fellowships in Fiction and Poetry

The SC Academy of Authors (SCAA) announces its annual fellowship competitions in poetry and fiction. Winning authors in each category will receive \$1,000 and be invited to the SCAA induction ceremony in Charleston in April 2015. The winning entries will be published in "Fall Lines," an annual literary journal published by Muddy Ford Press in Columbia.

The entry deadline is December 1, 2014. Applicants must be full-time South Carolina residents. Previous winners are eligible after three years. Entries must be neither published nor accepted for publication at the time of submission, though simultaneous submissions are allowed.

Submissions in either category must be typed on 8.5"x 11" paper; the author's name must not appear on the manuscript. Authors should mail two hard copies of their entries with a separate cover sheet specifying their name, contact information and submission title(s), plus a \$15 application fee payable to SCAA to the addresses below. Entry fees help support the SCAA in its mission to preserve and promote South Carolina's literary legacy.

Entries for the fiction fellowship must be original short stories or excerpts from longer works not exceeding 15 pages. There are no restrictions on content. Applicants may submit only one story or excerpt. Submissions and application fees should be sent to Jon Tuttle, Department of English, Francis Marion University, PO Box 100547, Florence, SC 29502. For more information about the fiction fellowship, contact Jon Tuttle at Jtuttle@fmarion.edu.

The fiction fellowship is now in its fourth year. Previous winners are Nancy Brock of Columbia (2014), Thomas McConnell of Spartanburg (2013), and Craig Brandhurst of Columbia (2012). This year's fiction fellowship judge is Ann Hood, author of 11 novels, most recently "The Italian Wife" (2014) and "The Obituary Writer" (2013). Her best-selling memoir, "Comfort" (2008), was named one of the top 10 non-fiction books by Entertainment Weekly and was a New York Times Editor's Choice. She is the recipient of the Paul Bowles Prize for Short Fiction, two Pushcart Prizes and a Best American Spiritual Writing Award, and is a faculty member in the MFA program at The New School in New York City.

Entries for the Carrie Nickens Poetry Fellowship, now in its sixth year, must be original manuscripts of 6-10 pages with no more than one poem per page. There are no restrictions on form or content. Submissions and application fees should be sent to Libby Bernardin, 407 Meeting St., Georgetown, SC 29440. For more information about the Nickens Poetry Fellowship, contact Bernardin at libbypoet@gmail.com.

Recent winners of the Nickens Poetry Fellowship include Jo Angela Edwins of Florence (2014), Susan Laughter Meyers of Givhans (2013), and Kit Loney of Charleston (2012). This year's poetry fellowship judge is Traci Brimhall, author of "Our Lady of the Ruins," winner of the 2011 Barnard Women Poets Prize, and "Rookery," winner



of the 2009 Crab Orchard Series in Poetry First Book Award. Her poems have appeared in The New Yorker, Poetry, Slate, The Believer, Kenyon Review, The New Republic, Ploughshares, and Best American Poetry 2013 & 2014. She is an assistant professor of creative writing at Kansas State University.

The South Carolina Academy of Authors was founded at Anderson College in 1986. Its purpose, besides sponsoring fellowships in fiction and poetry, is to identify and recognize the state's distinguished writers and their influence on our cultural heritage. The Academy board selects new inductees annually whose works have been judged culturally important. Each inductee, whether living or deceased, has added to South Carolina's literary legacy by earning notable scholarly attention or achieving historical prominence. For more information about the South Carolina Academy of Authors, please visit scacademyofauthors.org.



Upcoming Continuing Education Events

SC Book Awards in NoveList K-8 Plus and Audiobooks in NoveList Plus

Friday, October 24, 2014, 1:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. This session explores the SC Book Award nominees and the new features in the updated interfaces. NoveList Plus now offers audiobook recommendations! Also included in the session are Core (Curriculum) Connections, searching supporting informative text, and finding series in reading order. Bring your questions and we'll find the answers!

Register: http://bit.ly/ZiUPyz

Learn MORE About the South Carolina State Library

Monday, October 27, 2014, 2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. By attending this free online meeting, you can learn what the South Carolina State Library has to offer! We'll review our website and talk about upcoming events, specialized services, and statewide programs.

Register: http://bit.ly/ZyzjWT

American FactFinder and Census Facts: easier than you think

Tuesday, October 28, 2014, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. The American Community Survey (ACS) is an ongoing survey that generates estimates on social, economic, housing, and demographic topics. Data users can access these estimates down to our smallest level of geography, block groups, using the ACS Summary File. This presentation will cover background information about the ACS, an explanation of the ACS Summary File, and a demonstration of accessing block group data using the Summary File Retrieval Tool, DataFerrett, and FTP site.

Kelly Karras is a regional data analyst with the Bureau of the Census and will lead participants in a hands-on class to find information to help businesses, grant seekers, students, community planners, political candidates, job seekers, librarians.

Register: http://bit.ly/1uwQ7uT

Ferguson's Career Guidance Center: Starting Career Discovery

Wednesday, November 5, 2014, 11:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

The first of three live tutorials on this careers, jobs, and employment database, complete with financial aid information and a real-time job search. This mini-webinar will focus on exploring career possibilities with students through the use of Ferguson's Career Guidance Center.

Register: http://bit.ly/1vUzcja

Grants Research: Finding a Funder for Your Nonprofit Organization

Thursday, November 6, 2014, 9:30 a.m. - noon. Learn how to locate information on grants for nonprofit organizations available from private foundations and corporations, using the State Library's electronic and print resources. The Foundation Directory Online, the Foundation Center's grants database, as well as grants-related web sites, will be demonstrated. Includes basic information on writing a grant proposal.

Register: http://bit.ly/1r5t3lA

View more events and register online at statelibrary.sc.libcal.com

Discus - South Carolina's Virtual Library News and Updates

Highlights and Notes from Gale

As ebooks and digital resources have become more popular, a problem has presented itself: how can a user easily take notes without opening a separate program? Gale has found the solution with a new Highlights and Notes tool in Biography In Context, Kids InfoBits and Opposing Viewpoints In Context.

The new tool allows users of the

digital resources listed above to select text from an ebook or article, highlight the important sections, add their own notes, and save it to a new "Highlighted Articles" page where it can be accessed or exported, during each user's session (no user account required).

Researchers will use their critical thinking skills by finding important information in multiple sources and marking the relevant facts in each. Within the same session, the



highlighted sections can be easily viewed, printed, downloaded, or sent via email. Highlights and Notes is the perfect tool for anyone conducting research in Gale's

products.

The Sun is a stable star. Its energy output is almost constant, with only tiny variations. This energy streams out into the solar system, where it is sufficient to heat the earth, an entire planet nearly 9,000,000 mi (150,000,000 km) away. How does a ball of gas with the mass of the Sun (two million trillion kilograms) remain in a stable state like this for millions or billions of years?

Stars like the Sun exist in hydred Highlight Notes at every point within the star, there is a balance between the weight of the material overlying that point and the gas pressure at that point. Figure 1 makes this a little clearer. Suppose you are halfway between the surface and the center of a star. Gravity attracts the star's material towards its center, so the gas between you and the surface tends to push you downward (arrow #1 in Figure 1). But the gas where you are also exerts a pressure. The gas is being heated by the energy-producing reactions going on in the star's core, and the hotter gas is, the more pressure it exerts. Trying to compress the gas is like trying to squeeze a balloon. You

For more information, please contact Ruth Thompson, School Library and Training Consultant, South Carolina State Library at rthompson@statelibrary.sc.gov or 803-734-4627.

Submit Your Library News

Do you have an interesting library-related story, event, or program that you would like to see in the next issue of *More*?

Please email it to <u>crogers@statelibrary.sc.gov</u> and include photos or images as separate files.

Marion County Announces New Public Library Director

The Marion County Library Board of Trustees has named William T. DeWitt III as the new director for Marion County Library. He succeeds library director Phillip Alan Smith who now serves as Director of the Florence County Library System.

DeWitt comes to Marion from the Florence County Library System where he served as the System's Information Technology Administrator. A graduate of the University of South Carolina's College of Library and Information Science, DeWitt also holds an undergraduate degree from Francis Marion University. He previously served in the Darlington County Library system for several years.

A resident of Darlington County,
DeWitt has professional experience
in technical services, reference,
administration, and library
technology. "The Marion County
Library System Trustees are very
excited to welcome Mr. William
DeWitt as our new Executive Library
Director. We look forward to working
with him and implementing his
ideas and vision. He came highly
recommended and was an obvious
choice for us; what a wonderful



partnership this will be," Library Board Chair Randy Floyd said.

For more information about the Marion County Library, visit marioncountylibrary.org or call 843-423-8300.

State Library Talking Book Services Welcomes New Staff Member Kaitlyn Hodges



The South Carolina State Library's Talking Book Services recently welcomed Kaitlyn Hodges to the staff as a reader advisor.

Kaitlyn grew up in Orangeburg, South Carolina and earned a Bachelor's degree in Political Science with minors in English, History, Southern Studies, and Psychology from Presbyterian College. She also earned a Master's degree in Southern Studies from the University of Mississippi.

Also, Kaitlyn enjoys reading and her

favorite book is *The Lucky One* by Nicholas Sparks.

Her hobbies also include baking, traveling, and watching good movies.

Kaitlyn also has a passion for collecting just about anything relating to dragonflies.

The State Library is pleased to have Kaitlyn join our Talking Book Services team.

New IMLS Funding to Support the Digital Public Library of America

The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) announced today a \$999,485 grant to the Digital Public Library of America (DPLA) for a major expansion of its infrastructure. The Digital Public Library of America brings together the riches of America's libraries, archives, and museums, and makes them freely available to the world. It strives to contain the full breadth of human expression, from the written word, to works of art and culture, to records of America's heritage, to the efforts and data of science. DPLA aims to expand this crucial realm of openly available materials, and make those riches more easily discovered and more widely usable and used.

This IMLS award builds on a 2012 IMLS grant to DPLA. With new funding DPLA will pursue a major expansion of its service hubs network. The goal is to at least double the number of DPLA service hubs and to use IMLS support to encourage other funders to make DPLA service hubs available to all institutions in every state in the union.

DPLA service hubs are state, regional, or other collaborations that host, aggregate, or otherwise bring together digital objects from libraries, archives, museums, and other cultural heritage institutions. State and regional hubs agree to

collect content that describes their local history, but also content about the U.S. broadly and, when available, international topics.

Each service hub offers its partners services that range from professional development, digitization, metadata creation or enhancement, to hosting or metadata aggregation.

They may also provide community outreach programs to increase users' awareness of digital content of local relevance.

"We are proud of IMLS's support for this important step in the expansion of the Digital Public Library of America," said IMLS Director Susan H. Hildreth. "IMLS is committed to helping make the rich holdings of America's libraries, archives, and museums more accessible to all."

"The Digital Public Library of America and its rapidly growing community are enormously grateful to IMLS for this support, which will allow us to capitalize on what we have learned in our first year to make substantial progress on a national digital platform in the years to come," said Dan Cohen, DPLA's Executive Director.

Since launching in April 2013, DPLA has aggregated nearly 8 million items from well over a thousand institutions. DPLA plans to make its services available to all collections-



DPLA DIGITAL PUBLIC LIBRARY OF AMERICA

based institutions in every state in the U.S., and to make collections freely available to students, teachers, researchers, and the general public.

About the Institute of Museum and Library Services

The Institute of Museum and Library Services is the primary source of federal support for the nation's 123,000 libraries and 35,000 museums. Its mission is to inspire libraries and museums to advance innovation, lifelong learning, and cultural and civic engagement. The Institute's grant making, policy development, and research help libraries and museums deliver valuable services that make it possible for communities and individuals to thrive. To learn more, visit imls.gov and follow on Facebook and Twitter.



Two SC Librarians to Present TechSoup Webinar

Financial literacy may be a serious topic, but that doesn't mean you can't have fun! Technology, games, and parties can bring playfulness and help people approach a topic that can otherwise be daunting and stressful.

Register today for *Making Cents* of *Financial Literacy: Tech Tools* and *Innovative Programs* hosted by TechSoup, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit with a clear focus: connecting your nonprofit, charity, or public library with tech products and services, plus learning resources to make informed decisions about technology.

Heather Pelham (pictured top) is the Public Services Librarian for the Georgetown County (SC) Library. She has managed several grants related to financial literacy, including a Smart investing@your library® grant from FINRA and the American Library Association.

Aubrey Carroll (pictured bottom) is the Information Services Manager for the Florence County (SC) Library System. He has written and directed two Smart Investing @ Your Library* grants, and his library was one of the original group of five libraries selected to help develop the Consumer Financial
Protection
Bureau's
Community
Education
Partnership.

WHEN: Wednesday, October 22, 2014, 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.





For more information and registration, please visit http://bit.ly/ZCvsrS.

Check Out the Latest South Carolina Digital State Documents

The South Carolina State Documents Depository provides access to publications produced by state agencies and state-supported academic institutions. These publications provide citizens with crucial information about state government, including statistics, annual accountability reports, and data on a wide variety of topics related to the state. Items in the State Documents Depository include both print publications and "born digital" documents often originally published on agency websites.

You can access these newly added state documents online at

http://dc.statelibrary.sc.gov.

- Department of Youth Services Annual Reports
- Programs, Foster Care Review
 Board Facts about Foster Kids and
 Foster Kids Count
- Office of the State Auditor
 Medicaid Engagements and
 Court Agreed-Upon Procedures
 Engagements
- Santee Cooper Documents:
 Fingertip Facts, Power Perspective,
 PowerSource, Quarterly Financial
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- Television
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- State Election Commission Annual Reports & Annual Accountability Reports
- Department of Agriculture Annual Reports & Annual Accountability Reports
- Department of Corrections Annual Reports & Annual Accountability Reports



Meet Lily, Talking Book Services' Youngest Reader

The State Library's Talking Book Services patrons range in ages from 3 1/2 years old to 106. Meet the youngest user, Lily. She is just 3 1/2 years old and loves the books she gets from us.

But there's more! Lily is already

learning about Braille. Lily was adopted from South Korea by the Sanders family. She was in foster care when they realized she had optic nerve hypoplasia which left her mostly blind with some small fields of vision.



At the age of 19 months, the Sanders brought her home to Spartanburg. Her mother, Wendi Sanders, teaches visually impaired children through the South Carolina School for the Deaf and Blind. It was a natural fit for them from the beginning.

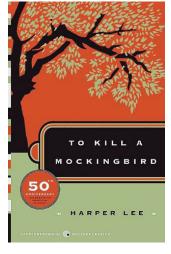


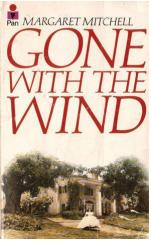
Lily is extremely bright and an enthusiastic learner. She loves to read and is already learning her letters in Braille. She can even type the letter L on a Brailler. Soon she will be spelling out her whole name. Lily and her mother Wendi are truly an inspiration!

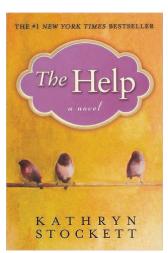
Goodreads Best Southern Literature List

Did you know that the social networking website for readers has a list of best southern literature?

Users can vote for their favorites, add titles, and review any books listed. The list only includes books that are set in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia. Check it out today! http://bit.ly/1sQi28B.









In the News...

Patrick Modiano Wins Nobel Prize in Literature

French author Patrick Modiano has won the 2014 Nobel Prize in Literature, it was revealed Thursday. In its announcement of the prize, the Swedish Academy heralded 69-year old Modiano for "the art of memory with which he has evoked the most ungraspable human destinies and uncovered the life-world of the occupation." http://bit.ly/1C0VKk0

Can the Monograph Survive?

The first four chapters prove the scholar's done the work, and the next two chapters - the ones "people might actually read" - present the argument. Elsewhere and in between are the reworking of the author's dissertation and implicit tenure pitch. http://bit.ly/1yg0lBe

Columbia, SC Native Wins MacArthur Genius Grant

People who know Columbia native Terrance Hayes long have recognized his genius with words. Now they, and he, have validation with Hayes being named Wednesday to the 2014 class of MacArthur Fellows, informally known as the genius grants. http://bit.ly/1Cng7Im

Author of Fun Home Memoir Protested by SC Legislature Awarded 'Genius' Grant

Alison Bechdel, author of Fun Home, the graphic memoir protested by South Carolina lawmakers after it was assigned to College of Charleston students last year, has been awarded a MacArthur fellowship (known as a 'genius' grant) for her career work examining the role of gender, identity, and LGBT issues.

http://bit.ly/1rcZ45v

From Country Boys to Poets

Two Southern country boys traveled different roads to the same place. Ed Madden was the Arkansas state champion in the Bible Bowl biblical studies competition and the drum major at his high school. Ray McManus, growing up in Lexington County, wasn't in the Gilbert High School band. "I was throwing bricks through the high school windows," he says. http://bit.ly/1rcZ4T6

How Well Do You Know SC?

South Carolina possesses its share of interesting places, colorful towns, historical tidbits, natural wonders, and fascinating facts. While a bit of status comes with saying you've traveled to Venice, Paris, and other fashionable venues, South Carolina holds its own as a destination. http://bit.ly/1pctdSR

The Marketing Tools You Need for Any Self-Published Book

The advice you see on blogs telling you how to get people to buy your book is all pretty much awful. Guaranteed in five easy steps! This isn't because of bad intentions or even some sort of trickery, it's just that there's no one-size-fits-all

solution to generating sales for your book. http://tnw.co/ZtDfYO

Readers Absorb Less on Kindles Than on Paper, Study Finds

A new study which found that readers using a Kindle were "significantly" worse than paperback readers at recalling when events occurred in a mystery story is part of major new Europe-wide research looking at the impact of digitization on the reading experience.

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Science Has Great News for People Who Read Actual Books

It's no secret that reading is good for you. Just six minutes of reading is enough to reduce stress by 68%, and numerous studies have shown that reading keeps your brain functioning effectively as you age. One study even found that elderly individuals who read regularly are 2.5 times less likely to develop Alzheimer's than their peers. But not all forms of reading are created equal.

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The Right to Read: The How and Why of Supporting **Intellectual Freedom for Teens**

Intellectual freedom and equal access to information are central to libraries' mission, but libraries often fail to consider the intellectual freedom needs of teenage patrons, or lump teen patrons in with children in conversations of intellectual freedom. http://bit.ly/1rXP5og

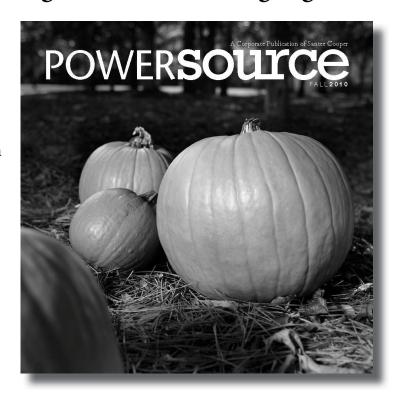


South Carolina State Library Digital Collections Highlight

POWERsource by Santee Cooper

Santee Cooper publishes *PowerSource*, a corporate quarterly magazine that profiles the many ways Santee Cooper and employees work to full the mission of improving the quality of life for South Carolinians. The South Carolina State Documents Depository has issues from 2009 to 2014.

You can view this document online at http://l.usa.gov/lw3eDlm.



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